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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Delaney et al.  
Serial No. : 10/668,629  
Filed : September 23, 2003  
For : Mid-Stream Flushing Adapter Assembly  
Group Art Unit : 3728  
Confirmation No. : 2181  
Examiner : Jerrold D. Johnson

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: